GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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CATS SAYS HOSPITALS DON T CARE
PRABODH PANDA

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the news-item captioned `CATS says hospitals don`t care` appearing in the Times of India Delhi dated November 20, 2001;

(b) if so, the facts of the matter reported therein; and

(c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken to make the Centralised Accident and Trauma Services more effective with the cooperation of hospital authorities?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a) to (c) Yes, Sir. It alleges lack of coordination between the CATS and the hospital authorities under the Government of NCT of Delhi and under utilization of wireless sets. The government of NCT of Delhi has informed that in order to further improve patient care in respect of Trauma/Accident victims, wireless sets were installed in the following hospitals of Government of NCT of Delhi:-

1. Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Hospital.

2. Guru Teg Bahadur Hospital.

3. Lok Nayak Hospital.

4. Sushruta Trauma Centre.

5. Sanjay Gandhi Memorial Hospital.`

Since the system has been introduced in recent past, it is having teething problems. Government is, however, determined to improve the system and mainly the following steps are proposed to be taken in this regard:-

1. These sets shall be in the main casualty wing of the hospitals and will be attended to either by CMO or a responsible official concerned with the casualty section of the hospital.

2. The hospitals concerned shall provide the list of officers/officials to CATS for further training in the wireless communication.

3. A register shall be maintained by the concerned hospitals to record the receipt of the calls through the wireless sets which shall be checked by an officer of an appropriate level.

4. Medical Superintendent/Deputy Medical Superintendent of the concerned hospitals shall regularly monitor the proper use of wireless sets.